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For:

FLAME-RETARDANT

POLYOLEFIN COMPOUNDS AND THEIR USE IN SURFACE

COVERINGS

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97-1.99, Applicants provide the Office with the following statement:

Before June 17, 2002, the inventors experimented with a prototype of a flame retardant polymer alloy of an ethylene-styrene copolymer and a polyolefin elastomer. Samples of the prototype were sent potential customers on a private evaluation basis. Samples of the prototype passed the ASTM E-84 test in January 2002, but subsequently, the commercial source of the ethylene-styrene copolymer withdrew its product from the market. The inventors resumed experimentation, eventually arriving at the claimed compound, which passed the ASTM E-84 test in September 2002. No commercial offers for sale or public use occurred before June 17, 2002 of the claimed compound or surface coverings made using the claimed compound.

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